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**COMPETITIVE GRANT FUNDS AVAILABLE TO ASSIST
COMMUNITIES IN PROTECTING AGAINST WILDLAND FIRES**

HONOLULU— The Dept. of Land and Natural Resources, Division of Forestry and Wildlife, has announced the availability of competitive grant funds to assist communities in taking a proactive stance in wildland fire protection. These funds are being made available through the National Fire Plan. The funds can be used for fuel hazard reduction (such as the removal of dead trees and brush), fire prevention and education programs, and homeowner and community action.

Grant applications are available by calling the State Protection Forester at 587-4173 or contacting him via e-mail at Wayne.F.Ching@hawaii.gov. Applications are also available on the DOFAW Fire Web site at www.dofaw.net. All applications are due by close of business on Friday, September 17, 2004.